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Every proof in the relevant section in the book is proved by path induction.

Let $P : A \rightarrow U$ be a type family which we can consider as a fibration.

Consider some $x, y : A$ and a path $p : x =_A y$ this will be our base space. The total space is $\sum_{x:A} P(x)$ which is the dependent pair types. This means that given any $x : A$ there exists a fibre $P(x) : \sum_{x:A} P(x)$ of elements that map to $x : A$ via the first projection $\pi(x, u) = x$.

Lemma 4.1. *Transport* There exists a function $\text{transport}^P(p, _) := p_* : P(x) \rightarrow P(y)$.

Proof. Let p be refl_x and use path induction. Note that $(\text{refl}_x)_* = \text{id}_{P(x)}$. □

Homotopy Version: Given any two points, x, y in base space A and fibers $P(x)$ and $P(y)$ above x and y respectively then there exists a function from $P(x)$ to $P(y)$

Lemma 4.2. *Path Lifting Property* Fix some $u : P(x)$ then there exists a path

$$\text{lift}(u, p) : (x, u) = (y, p_*(u))$$

Proof. Assume that p is refl_x . By the proof of lemma 4.1 $(\text{refl}_x)_* = \text{id}_{P(x)}$, hence;

$$\text{lift}(u, \text{refl}_x) := ((x, u) = (x, u)) := \text{refl}_{(x, u)}$$

Now path inductions give us the existence of lift . □

So given a path, $p : x = y$, in the base space and any element of the fibre $P(x)$ there exists a path, $p' : (x, u) = (y, p_*(u))$ such that $(x, u) : P(x)$ the fibre over x and $(y, p_*(u)) : P(y)$ the fibre over y . I.e. we have lifted the path p .

Given some $f : \prod_{x:A} P(x)$ we can define a non-dependent function $f' : A \rightarrow \sum_{x:A} P(x)$ by setting $p'(x) := (x, f(x))$. In homotopological terms f' is a right continuous inverse to pr_1 i.e. a section.

Lemma 4.3. *Fix f be as above, then there exists a dependent map:*

$$\text{apd}_f \prod_{p:x=y} p_*(f(x)) =_{P_y} f(y)$$

Proof. So suppose (as usual) that p is refl_x . Then

$$(\text{refl}_x)_*(f(x)) =_{P(y)} f(x)$$

$$:= \text{refl}_{f(x)}$$

By path induction apd_f exists. □

So, given some section, $f' := (x, f(x))$, there exists a map over the section $P(y)$ from $p_*(f(x))$ to $f(y)$.

Lemma 4.4. Fix some $A, B : U$ and $b : B$. If the type family $P : A \rightarrow U$ is defined to be $P(x) := B$ (not dependant on A). Then there exists a path:

$$\text{transportconst}_p^B(b) : \text{transport}^P(p, b) = b.$$

Proof. We can assume that $p := \text{refl}_x$ so that we must consider $\text{transport}^P(\text{refl}_x.b) = b$. By lemma 4.1 $\text{transport}^P(\text{refl}_x.b) := b$ so we just need to construct a witness of type refl_b and apply path induction. \square

Lemma 4.4 highlights the subtle difference between a *function* and a *path*: just compare transport which is a function and tells us that a point u goes to point v and transportconst which is a path between u and v . So if P is a type family independent from A and given $x, y : A$ and a path between them $p : x =_A y$, then for any b in the total space B we have $\text{transport}^P(p, b)$ is a function from $P(x) := B$ to $P(y) := B$. In particular, it sends $\text{transport}^B(p, b) : B$ to $b : B$. Furthermore $\text{transportconst}_p^B(b)$ is a *path* between $\text{transport}^P(p, b)$ and b . We will see that transportconst makes sense when mapping *within* a particular fibre $P(x)$.

Now we wish to link the dependent and independent functions $\text{ap}_f(p)$ and $\text{apd}_f(p)$.

Lemma 4.5. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$, then

$$\text{apd}_f(p) = \text{transportconst}_p^B(f(x)) \square \text{ap}_f(p)$$

Proof. By path induction it is enough to assume that p is refl_x . So we wish to construct a witness to type $\text{apd}_f(\text{refl}_x) = \text{transportconst}_{\text{refl}_x}^B(f(x)) \dot{\text{ap}}_f(\text{refl}_x)$. By lemma ?? $\text{transportconst}_p^B(b) = \text{refl}_b$, by lemma ?? $\text{ap}_f(\text{refl}_x) = \text{refl}_{f(x)}$ and by lemma ?? $\text{refl}_x \square \text{refl}_x = \text{refl}_x$. Putting this together we need to prove $\text{refl}_{f(x)} = \text{refl}_{f(x)}$: we have $\text{refl}_{\text{refl}_{f(x)}}$ for this. Path induction gives the required result. \square

In topological terms, given a fibration $\pi_1 : \sum_{x:A} P(x)$ and a function $f : A \rightarrow B$ such that $f'(x) = (x, f(x))$ and a path $x = y$ in space A we know there exists the following three maps in B :

- (i) $\text{apd}_f(p)$ is a path in the fibre, $P(y) := B$ over y from $\text{transport}^P(p, f(x))$ to $f(y)$
- (ii) $\text{transportconst}_p^B(f(x))$ is a path in B from $\text{transport}^P(p, f(x)) : B$ to $f(x) : B$.
- (iii) $\text{ap}_f(p)$ is the path from f_x to $f(y)$ in B .

Drawing these paths in B assures us that Lemma 4.5 is well-typed.